As a result of the enactment of House Bill No. 332, it would be surplusage to place my signature on House Bill No. 477. Consequently, I am vetoing this measure with the understanding that the provisions provided in the same have already been taken care of in House Bill No. 332.

Sincerely yours,

(s) J. MILLARD TAWES,

JMT/LS/db

Governor.

House Bill No. 562—Employees' Retirement System

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 3(5) of Article 73B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Pensions", sub-title "In General", relating to credit for prior service to the political sub-divisions of the State for elected or appointed officials under the Employees' Retirement System laws.

April 30, 1959.

Honorable Perry O. Wilkinson Speaker of the House of Delegates State House Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have today vetoed House Bill No. 562, and in accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Constitution of our State, I am returning this bill to the House of Delegates, along with my reasons for vetoing the same.

During the recent session of the General Assembly Senate Bill No. 10 and House Bill No. 562 were approved by both Houses of the Legislature. Both of these bills pertain to the State Employees' Retirement system, in that they are designed to give credit for prior service to a political subdivision of the State for elected or appointed officials under the Employees' Retirement System laws.

The provisions of House Bill No. 562 are included in Senate Bill No. 10, which I intend to sign on May 5, 1959. My reason for taking this action is best stated in a letter received by me on April 27, 1959, signed by J. P. Mannion, Director of the Employees' Retirement System. This letter, in its entirety, states:

"We respectfully request that you veto House Bill No. 562, in view of the fact that the provisions of this bill are included in Senate Bill No. 10."

For the reasons stated herein I am vetoing this particular bill and returning the same to your body.

Sincerely yours,

(s) J. MILLARD TAWES,

Governor.